

**GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION  
FOURTH MEETING SUMMARY  
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## **SUMMARY**

### **Oral Presentation**

Commissioner Gautreaux, Office of the Governor, introduced Mr. Bob Harper, Undersecretary for the DNR, to explain the procedure for the presentations. Mr. Harper stated that two contractors will make proposals, C.H. Fenstermaker and CH2M Hill, and that the only people that will be able to ask questions will be the members of the selection board. The presentations will be 20 minutes long followed by a 15-minute question and answer session.

The selection board members were identified as Mr. Tony Duplechin, the Chief of Staff of the Ground Water Management Commission; Secretary Dale Givens, Department of Environmental Quality; Mr. Bo Bolourchi, Department of Transportation and Development; Mr. Charlie Demas, District Chief of the United States Geological Society; and Mr. Jim Marchand, Lawyer with the Louisiana House of Representatives.

C.H. Fenstermaker gave the first oral presentation and CH2M Hill gave the second oral presentation. The presentation itself will not be summarized here. Please see the detail transcripts for the presentations and questions.

### **New Business**

Mr. Duplechin read into the record the recommended changes to the emergency rules, which expire in December 2001.

### **Staff Report**

The staff report consisted of a description of the changes to the web site and just cause decisions.

### **Advisory Task Force Committee Reports**

Mr. Jesse Barr, Agricultural Committee, stated that the Agricultural Committee would like to recommend that as part of the 60-day waiver list that drought condition wells be added. These are wells installed to alleviate crop or livestock stress during periods of moderate or extreme drought.

Mr. Lancot, Ecology Committee, stated that the Committee would be working on providing some examples of impacts on ecosystems related to the depletion of water.

Mr. Lyon, Industrial Committee, delegated members to serve on other committees so that they may network with them. Also they will develop a questionnaire that will be utilized to forecast the needs of the industrial sector.

Ms. Linda Walker, Outreach Committee, will meet in mid-November for long range planning and requested an article from the staff that the outreach Committee will put in publications to educate the public.

Mr. Owen, Policy Committee, recommends that the language of paragraph 3505(A)(2) be changed to clarify that the regulations do not require pro rata reduction by every user if any user is curtailed.

Mr. Charlie Demas, Surface and Ground Water Committee and the Technical Committee, both Committees would like to meet with the contractor as soon as possible to discuss concepts that the committees would like them to consider.

Set next meeting time. November 28, 2001 at 1330.